



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:** Howard Tanner, *et al.*

**Application No.:** 10/687,622

**Divisional Application of Application No.:** 09/108,191

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**For:** **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE SURGICAL REPAIR OF ANEURYSMS**

**Attorney Docket No.:** 23660-00610 DIV

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 31, 2007, Applicants respectfully request consideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.